THENSINGNEWS

Official opening of Aruba's Diamond Jubilee Carnival season



ORANJESTAD -- Islanders love to get a jump on their favorite cultural and social event of the year-Carnival. Fifteen years ago, the ancient European tradition of November festivities (11/11/11) as a precursor to the actual parades and jump ups, was instilled on the island. With the upcoming landmark Diamond Jubilee Carnival coming in 2014, the "official opening" of Carnival season was conducted with particular fervor grandeur yesterday morning.

The auditorium of Oranjestad's Cas di Cultura was packed for the event, as was the program filled with great carnival songs of the past, performed by the original artists, Inky Richardson and Robert Jeandor. The lively numbers were punctuated by the uninhibited glee of the young students of Reina Beatrix Elementary School, who demonstrated that the ability to shake one's booty to the driving carnival beat is an inborn trait of islanders.

President of the Stichting Arubaanse Carnival, (SAC) Tecla Kelly-Hernandez, welcomed all present, recounting a brief history of the establishment of the carnival tradition, with the election of the first queen of a united, islandwide carnival, Evelina Croes, in 1955. A number of landmark events over the six

decades since, are the addition of special jump-ups, such as Jovert Morning, the addition of pageants for children, youth queen and a Mrs. Carnival, and music contests and various parades, resulting in the remarkable spectacle that Aruba's camival has become. Past year's have produced some memorable parades and dedicated music, and with this year, expectations can be very high for participation and creativity in costumes, lush floats and road pieces.

Aruba's Minister of Tourism, Transport & Culture, Otmar Oduber, was on hand to participate in the opening ceremonies.

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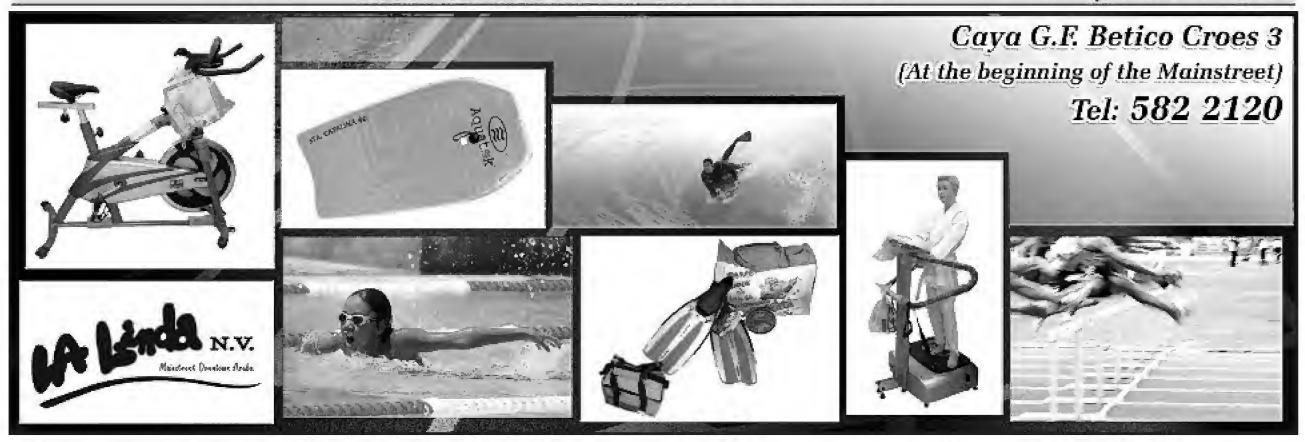
World sends emergency relief to battered Philippines



Survivors move past the damage caused by Typhoon Haiyan in Tacloban city, Leyte province central Philippines, Nov. 11, 2013. See story on pg 6







Police Force lectures Central Bank on Security issues



ORANJESTAD -- Security is a very important matter at the Aruba Central Bank. Because this matter is of such importance, the bank invited John Larmonie from the Police Force to give a lecture on security at home for all the bank's employees.

Larmonie is known in the community as the interim spokesman for the Police Force. He is member of the

Crime Prevention Department and Information. This department has developed a series of lectures which they offer freely to the general public. The lectures deal with the prevention of crimes and security. It covers topics of security at home, prevention of auto theft and theft at home, how to avoid becoming a victim of credit card fraude, etc.

The Central Bank employees were very happy with the presentation by the Police officer. They found it very educational. They received many valuable tips that they can use to keep their family safe at home. Many employees requested Larmonie's help with inspecting their home for

possible security breeches they have to improve or correct. This is also a service that the Police Force provides. They do this for homes and businesses.

For more information call the Police Force during working hours or vsit their website at www.kparuba.com

Jacinto's Impressive 40 year career in Police Corps celebrated



ORANJESTAD -- Last Frinette day morning, at the place where Jacinto "Chinto" Curiel began his career back in 1988, dignitaries, colleagues and family gathered to celebrate his impressive 4D years in the Police Force. Chinto began as an instructor at the Instituto pa Formacion Policial E. J. Watty aVos. Instructor First Class as he is better known by his colleagues, Meneer Curiel, cele-

Police Corps! This year is an especialy important year for Meneer Curiel. Only three months ago, last August, Chief of Police and Inspector Drs. Jean-

brated 4D years in the Aruba



Richardson-Baars pinned a new insigna on Curiel's shoulder for his promotion to Inspector First Class. Recently he was also nominated coordinator for all basic training programs being offered at the Police school. Everyone is pleassed that hey have extended his period of service for another year.

Chinto Curiel is an instructor with the most years of experience and the one best known at the Police School The Police Chief indicated in his speech that even he was at one time a student of Meneer Curiel.

Chinto Curiel entered the Police Force on November

1st, 1973. Aruba was still part of the Netherlands Antilles. He had to go to Curacao for his training. He graduated and returned to Aruba. He then went to work in the patrol unit. From 1977 to 1980 Curiel worked in Bonaire and later returned to Aruba from 1988 According to Curiel, a police is a servant of the people.

His advice to students and colleagues is to always treat everyone, without exception, with respect and as a human being of value. Whatever you do, he says, do it to the best of your ability. And finally, says Curiel, take responsibility for your actions and your errors and learn from them.

Aruba's Hospital has excellent patient **Question and Answer** format in place

ORANJESTAD -- The department of patient relations "afdeling patientrelatie" of the Dr. Horacio E. Oduber Hospital has an open door for questions, concerns, complaints related to patients and their visitors in the Hospital. Mrs. Josefa Chin Woei Niap is the person in charge of tis department.

According to Chin Woei Njap, it is always best for the patient or visitor to first contact the person in charge of the floor with any question or complaint. This is simply for better efficiency. The floor manager can often resolve the issue much faster. In the event the patient is not happy with the results they can then approach Josefa Woei Niap. During off hours the patient can collect a form at the information desk. This form is available in all our spoken languages. The form will explain the procedures for submitting a complaint.

Once the form has been correctly filled out with all required data, this is submitted to the information desk. Mrs. Chin Woei Njap collects these and reviews the information and contacts the person or patient to follow up on their complaint.

Mrs. Chin Woei Njap explained that in certain cases

the issue has to be brought to the attention of the complaint commission "klachtencommissie." This commission consists of a judge, a medical specialist, a social worker, a primary care physician and a nurse. These six persons review the issue independently then discusses the issue to determine if the case has valid-

More than 800 persons work at the Hospital and the staff do their utmost to maintain contact with patients to ensure that they are well cared for. For the Hospital it is important that the quality of care be of the utmost best. Questions and complaints only help to guide the process to improvement of their service and quality care.



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Minister of Tourism and Culture Oduber (Padrino) and Tecla Kelly (Madrina) does the honors of baptising the Carnaval jingle in the presence of Antoni Gario and Mervin Baptist a.k.a. "Blacky"



Robert Jeandor 'moving the hips' with the kids

A devout carnivalista himself, he found this an especially pleasant task. The moment the season begins is with the introduction and "baptism" of the official jingle for the year, along with the dedicated logo. Media personality Ruben Garcia is always charged with the task of organizing this. The development and issuance of the carnival jingle "Carnival ta

Dushi" was again sponsored by RBC Bank. Present for the introduction of the jingle was Managing Director and Vice President Business Banking at Royal Bank of Canada (Aruba) Pierre Rafini.

The actual "baptism" of the jingle CD by a goblet of "diamonds" was performed by veteran Caiso and Soca King and the jingle's composer and arranger, Antoni Gario,



MONTBLEU GEODICANA

Inky with the kids of Beatrix School

known as "Black Diamond," and the Soca King of 2013, performing as "Blacky," Mervin Baptist. Singers of the jingle are "Blacky," Antonio "T-Money" Mingo, Antoni "Black Diamond" Gario and Ashrock "Diamond Chip" Gario. Andre "Pedro Julio" Stamper. The "Madrina" and "Padrino" of the CD are Tecla Kelly-Hernandez and Minister Oduber, who shared in the honors.

The festive event ended with a parade of the 2013

queens, princes and panchos will retain their titles for two more months and the first grand event of Carnival 60, the Torch Parade, which will take place on Saturday, January 11. The very next day, the

Carnival royalty in all their new princes and panchos will finery. These are the various be crowned, who will then rule over the remainder of carnival until its finish at midnight, on March 4, when it is laid to rest with the coming of Ash Wednesday.

BELLE"

By Rosalie Klein





Renaissance Resort welcomes celebrity chefs for a very special RLife encounter









ORANJESTAD -- For the past two years, Renaissance Resort management has been providing unique island experiences with their monthly RLife events conducted on the pool deck of the Marina Tower RLife is a brand pol-

icy of involving guests with their destination through lively evenings of music, dance and local culture.

This weekend, Aruba Renaissance management was thrilled to present an entire weekend of remarkable

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events. They began with a fashion show on Friday by local designer Bergeny Del Mar as part of the Aruba in Style Fashion Week. Continued on Saturday with a food festival and international chef's demonstration in their Renaissance. Marketplace, and ended with a free tasting of authentic local dishes with Antonio "Joselito" Albertz, a native son, and from Orlando. Florida, celebrity cake baker Mercedes Strachwsky.

Antonio Albertz was born on Aruba and received his chef's training at the well-respected Aruba EPI Culinary Institute. He has been a high-level chef at the Crystal Palace in the Magic Kingdom of Disney World for several years, and confided he will be embarking on a program with The Food Network in a few months, showcasing cuisine from around the world



Chef Joselito joined his good friend, Renaissance Executive Chef Juan Dominguez, in offering resort guests an authentic taste of island cuisine in the form of Fresh Red Snapper Fish Cakes and Beef Sate. These were complemented with tasty Aruba Ariba cocktails.

What particularly drew the

fascinated attention of the public was the remarkable art of cake decoration demonstrated by Mrs. Strachwsky. The Orlando-based cake expert is on island to give a seminar on the subject, and observers on Sunday evening truly enjoyed the opportunity to learn to make beautiful flowers (and adorable monkeys) from fondant.

The baker was catapulted to celebrity status when requested to create the show cake for the 1997 International Cake Exploration Societé.

(ICES) Convention at the Contemporary Resort in Walt Disney World. This show cake proved to be the best of the best. It was recognized as a work of art and transferred to the Orlando Science Center to be displayed as a permanent exhibition.

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Divi Aruba joins Aruba In Style as major sponsor, third year in a row







EAGLE BEACH -- The third annual Aruba in Style fashion event unfolded this past weekend, with local and international designers presenting a series of runway shows, collection presentations and cocktail parties at trendy hotspots around the island.

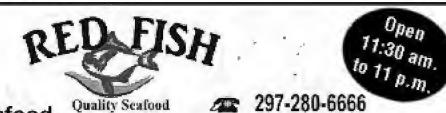
Divi Resorts showed its full support for the fashionable weekend, which is aimed at cementing Aruba's name as the chicest place in the Caribbean. The brand's various properties and unique venues offered the perfect locations to host VIPS, among them designer Layana Aguilar and sweepstake winner Beth, from Chicago, with her husband, a bar owner,

who came to Aruba for a dream vacation having won the fully paid week, courtesy of Divi Resorts.

Pictured here General Manager Marin Bijl, and Tabitha Fecunda, Island Marketing & Promotion Manager, The Links at Divi Aruba, as they host both the designer and the sweepstake winner at Fusion, Tapas, Fine Wines, Piano & Cigar Bar.

ARUBA IN STYLE attracts international designers, celebrities and

media, to the island of Aruba for a fun-filled weekend each November. Participating designers have included Oakley, BCBGeneration and Gottex swim wear, Beck Dutch Design, Arubianas, Eva Zissu, Agua Bendita, Berjeny Del Mar and Gigiola Designs.



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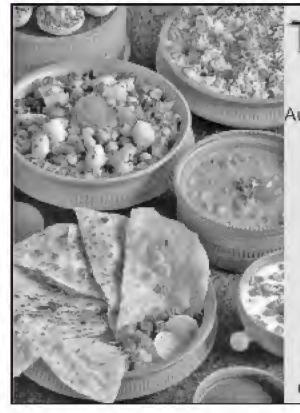
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It was 9 feet in diameter and contained over 600 pounds of fondant representing the natural beauty of Florida, with each section depicting an endangered aspect of the state. Mercedes and her husband, Alex, a well-known international pastry chef, opened their dream bakery, Bake Me A Cake Pastry Shop, in Altamonte Springs, Florida in 2001.

It was a thrill for Renaissance guests to meet and sample the tasty creations of the two celebrity chefs. "This was our first culmary event," explained Renaissance Resort & Casino Local Marketing Manager Zugheila. Lindeborg. "For the most part, our RLife events have been music, dance and fashion, which were very well received. We are particularly pleased by how much the visitors enjoyed this unusual encounter and their enthusiastic sampling of native island dishes."

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UN expects 'the worst' in Philippines typhoon disaster

TACLOBAN(AFP) - The UN warned it expected "the worst" in the typhoon disaster that devastated the Philippines, saying one town alone may have more than 10,000 dead, adding even more urgency to rescue operations underway Tuesday.

The Manila government has declared a national emergency and desperation was mounting in the central Philippines where countless bodies were scattered across wastelands, four days after the unprecedented havoc wreaked by Super Typhoon Haivan.

US marines have joined the frantic effort to find and help famished survivors, deploying to a zone where entire towns were flattened and communities were bereft of food, water and medicine.

The United Nations warned Monday the death toll was quickly mounting.

"We are certainly expecting the worst. As we get more
and more access we find the
tragedy of more and more
people killed in this typhoon," a top UN humanitarian official, John Ging, said.

He was unable to give an estimated overall toll for the disaster, telling a news conference at UN headquarters "it is estimated now over 10,000 people perished".

UN humanitarian chief Valerie Amos said in a statement that "local officials estimate that some 10,000 people were killed in one city alone," referring to Tacloban, capital of the eastern province of Leyte.

The United Nations was to appeal for significant international aid for victims on Tuesday.

Relief cannot come soon enough for Joan Lumbre-Wilson, 54, who was among a large crowd of people gathered around one of the few relief centres in the ruined city of Tacloban.

"We want an organised, coordinated brigade to collect the dead bodies, bring food and stop the looting," she said.

"It has been four days. We want water and food. We want someone who will help. We are emotionally drained and physically exhausted. There are many babies and children who need attention."



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World sends emergency relief to battered Philippines



MANILA (AFP) - The United States, Australia and the United Nations mobilised emergency aid to the Philippines as the scale of the devastation unleashed by Super Typhoon Haiyan emerged Monday.

The United States said Monday it was providing \$20 million in humanitarian aid as well as additional troops to halo out

help out.

Four MV-22B Ospreys -aircraft that can operate in
difficult environments -- and
three KC-130J Hercules
planes headed to the disaster
zones from Japan, the US
Marine Corps said in a statement

On board were some 90 marines and sailors tasked with helping a humanitarian assistance survey team of around 90 US soldiers already on the ground in the wake of Typhoon Haiyan, which killed thousands of people when it flattened entire towns just days ago.

The United Nations said it fears more than 10,000 people were killed in the city of Tacloban alone, and warned it was "expecting the worst" for the final body count.

US Marines who arrived in the city of Tacoblan earlier Monday to deliver emergency supplies expressed shock at the devastation.

"Everything's destroyed," said Brigadier General Paul Kennedy, the commanding general of the Okinawa-based 3rd Marine Expeditionary Brigade.

Even Vietnam, despite coping itself with a mass evacuation programme as a

weakened Haiyan swung onto its territory, provided emergency aid worth \$100,000 and said it "stands by the Philippine people in this difficult situation".

The relief operation was focused on the city of Tacloban on Leyte island, three days after one of the biggest storms in recorded history demolished entire communities across the central Philippines and left countless bodies as well as gnawing desperation in its wake.

The Australian government pledged Aus\$10 million dollars (US\$9.38 million), with Foreign Minister Julie Bishop describing the unfolding tragedy as "absolutely devastating" and on a "massive scale".

The sum includes Aus\$4 million towards a UN global appeal and Aus\$3 million for Australian non-government organisations. The aid will include tarpaulins, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, water containers and health and hygiene kits.

A team of Australian medics will leave on Wednesday via a C17 military transport plane from Darwin to join disaster experts already on the ground, the government said.

The UN children's fund UNICEF said a cargo plane carrying 60 tonnes of aid including shelters and medicine would arrive in the Philippines Tuesday, to be followed by deliveries of water purification and sanitation equipment.

Arrested Greenpeace crew being moved to Saint Petersburg

MOSCOW (AFP) - Russia moved the crew of a Green-peace Arctic protest ship from the northern port of Murmansk on Monday and put them on a train to Saint Petersburg, authorities and the organisation said.

The Saint Petersburg prison service said in a statement that the "detention centres of the city are ready to receive these people," without specifying which of the facilities would be used.

The 28 activists and two reporters, arrested in September after protesting against oil exploration in the Barents Sea, left their detention centre at 5:00 am (0100 GMT) in a truck Greenpeace spokeswoman Dannielle Taaffe.

"The Arctic30 are being

transferred away from Murmansk. They shouldn't be in jail at all!" Greenpeace wrote on its Twitter account.

A source in the law enforcement authorities confirmed this to ITAR-TASS news agency.

The arrested crew of the ship Arctic Sunrise includes 26 foreigners from 18 countries held for nearly two months on charges of piracy and hooliganism after an attempt to scale an oil platform operated by Russia's energy giant Gazprom.

One of Russia's northernmost cities, Murmansk endures polar nights in the winter, with temperatures often dropping to below minus 30 degrees Celsius (minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit).

Several activists in mid-Sep-

tember attempted to scale Russia's Gazprom oil platform in the Pechora Sea, part of the Barents Sea, in protest at the firm's exploration in the Arctic.

Russian authorities boarded the ship on September 19 and towed it to Murmansk. Greenpeace says the authorities had no right to detain the Dutchflagged ship in international waters.

Russian authorities initially accused the activists of carrying out illegal research, then charged them with piracy. They then changed the piracy charge to hooliganism, an offence that can be punished by a maximum of seven years in prisonLast month, Russian authorities also said the ship carried illegal drugs such as poppy straw and morphine, which Greenpeace denies.

Russia jails protesters who threw tomatoes at Dutch king

MOSCOW (AFP) - A Russian court on Monday sentenced opposition activists to 15 and 10 days in police cells for petty hooliganism after they flung tomatoes at visiting Dutch King Willem-Alexander.

A Moscow district court sentenced 23-year-old Denis Kudryavtsev to 15 days for petty hooliganism, while 18-year-old Viktoria Kuznetsova was sentenced to 10 days, the ITAR-TASS news agency reported.

The activists were arrested after they hurled tomatoes at the Dutch king -- missing their target -- on Saturday as he and the queen arrived at a gala concert in central Moscow.

Both are members of The

Other Russia opposition party, which is led by novelist and radical dissident Eduard Limonov, and holds regular unsanctioned protests.

The party said the activists were expressing outrage at the January death of activist Alexander Dolmatov, who committed suicide after the Netherlands turned down his asylum request and sent him to an airport detention centre.

They yelled at the Dutch king: "The blood of Dolmatov is on your hands!"

Dolmatov had been arrested and released over clashes between police and activists at a May 2012 street protest against President Vladimir Putin's return to the Kremlin. The 36-year-old engineer fled to the Netherlands fearing rearrest on serious charges but had his asylum request rejected.

The Other Russia said that the Dutch investigation of Dolmatov's suicide was not thorough enough and that his mother did not receive compensation.

The Dutch king on Friday met Putin to discuss bilateral issues.

Dutch-Russian ties have become strained in recent weeks because of the arrest and detention of the crew of a Dutchflagged Greenpeace ship over a protest against Arctic drilling.



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German court jails photosnapping gynaecologist

BERLIN (AFP) - A gynaecologist who secretly took intimate photos of more than 1,000 patients in Germany was sentenced to three and a half years in prison Monday.

A judge in the district court of Frankenthal, Rhineland-Palatinate state in western Germany, also prohibited the man from practising medicine for four years after prison.

The judge said the gynaecologist violated the "most personal part of life" of women in 1,467 cases, and also found the doctor guilty of sexual abuse in three cases, reported national news agency DPA.

The doctor lost his medical license and will likely never get it back, DPA reported the judge saying.

The doctor recorded the images from 2008 to 2011.

After being tipped off by two long-time medical assistants, investigators found tens of thousands of photos of well over a thousand patients in the



man's possession, DPA reported.

Women were photographed in the changing room and while on the treatment table, according to the agency, and dozens of video sequences were also discovered.

The verdict was "outside of our expectations", Goetz Stuckensen, the doctor's lawyer, told DPA, and indicated he would seek an appeal.

In court proceedings, the doctor, named only as 'Joachim K' in local media accounts, admitted to making the recordings and apologised to his patients but rejected the sexual abuse allegations.

One million facing food shortage in Niger: PM

NIAMEY (AFP) - About one million people in Niger, one of the world's poorest nations, are facing severe food shortages due to poor harvests after a drought and flooding, Prime Minister Brigi Rafini said.

"This season was not what we expected," Rafim said during a parliamentary debate Saturday according to a television report on Sunday. "We can write off this year."

Rafini said that according to a first evaluation "about one million are at risk and must be assisted".

Figures about the actual needs would be published shortly, so people could be helped until the end of December at a cost of about 84 million euros (\$112 million) which would be financed with

the support of international partners.

Niger, 80 percent of which is covered by the Sahara desert, was hit by severe floods earlier this year, that killed at least 32 people and left 230,000 homeless, also wiping out crops.

Recurrent food shortages in the country are one reason for a high rate of malnutrition among children. A lack of hygiene and drinking water as well as epidemics also contribute.

Since 2010, 300,000 malnourished children have been given medical attention every year but up to 6,000 still die, according to government figures published by the United Nations Children's Fund last month.



MADRID (AFP) - Street cleaners and public park gardeners take part in a protest against salary cuts and layoffs in Madrid on Monday. Carton, plastic bottles and other litter piled up in the streets of Madrid today as an open-ended strike by street-sweepers against layoffs and pay cuts entered the seventh day. Unions put adherence to the work stoppage by street cleaners and public park gardeners in the Spanish capital at 97 percent. The banner reads: "With the street-sweepers and their demands, solidarity network against repression."



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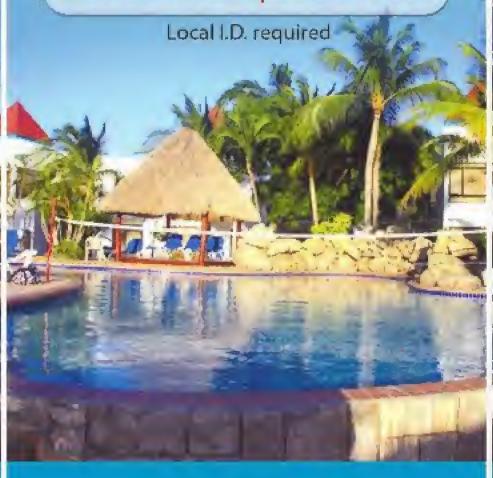
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Sleep helps brain stay fit by clearing waste

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Like a janitor sweeping the halls after the lights go out, major changes occur in the brain during sleep to flush out waste and ward off disease, researchers said Thursday.

The research in the journal Science offers new answers to explain why people spend a third of their lives asleep and may help in treating dementia and other neurological disorders.

In lab experiments on mice, researchers observed how cellular waste was flushed out via the brain's blood vessels into the body's circulatory system and eventually the liver.

These waste products included amyloid beta, a protein that when accumulated is a driver of Alzheimer's disease.

In order to help remove the waste, cerebral spinal fluid is pumped through brain tissue.

The process is sped along during sleep because the brain's cells shrink by about 60 percent, allowing the fluid to move faster and more freely through the brain.

The whole operation takes place in what researchers call the glymphatic system, which appears to be nearly 10 times more active during sleep than while awake.

"The brain only has limited energy at its disposal," said lead author Maiken Nedergaard of the University of



Rochester Medical Center.

"You can think of it like having a house party. You can either entertain the guests or clean up the house, but you can't really do both at the same time."

Co-authors of the study, which was funded by the US National Institutes of Health, came from Oregon Health and Science University and New York University.





Indian Mars mission suffers glitch but 'no setback'

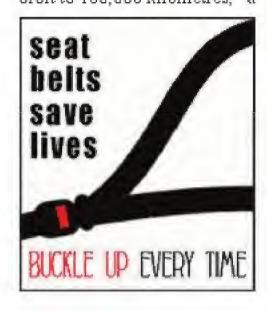
NEW DELHI (AFP) - India's Mars spacecraft suffered a brief engine failure Monday as scientists tried to move it into a higher orbit around Earth, but controllers denied any setback to the ambitious low-cost mission.

The Mars Orbiter Mission, which blasted off on November 5 for a 11-month trip to the Red Planet, is being launched on its way via an unusual "slingshot" method for interplanetary journeys.

Lacking a large enough rocket to blast directly out of Earth's atmosphere and gravitational pull, the Indian spacecraft is orbiting Earth until the end of the month while building up enough velocity to break free.

On Monday, during a fourth repositioning to take it 100,000 kilometres (62,000 miles) from Earth, the thruster engines briefly failed, leading the autopilot to take over.

"It's not a setback at all. Tomorrow again we'll raise the orbit to 100,000 kilometres," a



spokesman for the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Deviprasad Karnik, told AFP

The spacecraft is currently at an orbit of 78,276 kilometres and will be raised again at 5 am Tuesday (2330 GMT Monday), an ISRO statement said.

India has never before attempted interplanetary travel and more than half of all missions to Mars have ended in failure, including China's in 2011 and Japan's in 2003.

The cost of the project, at 4.5 billion rupees (\$73 million), is less than a sixth of the \$455 million earmarked for a Mars probe by NASA which

will launch later this month.

ISRO chairman K. Radhakrishnan has called the mission a "turning point" for India's space ambitions and one which would go on to prove its capabilities in rocket technology.



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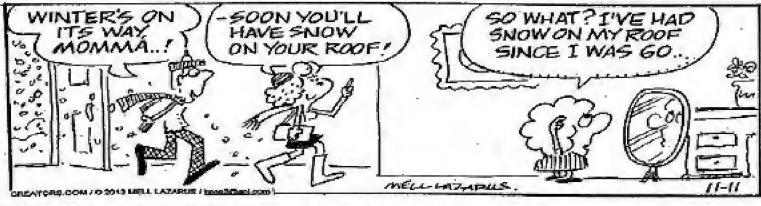








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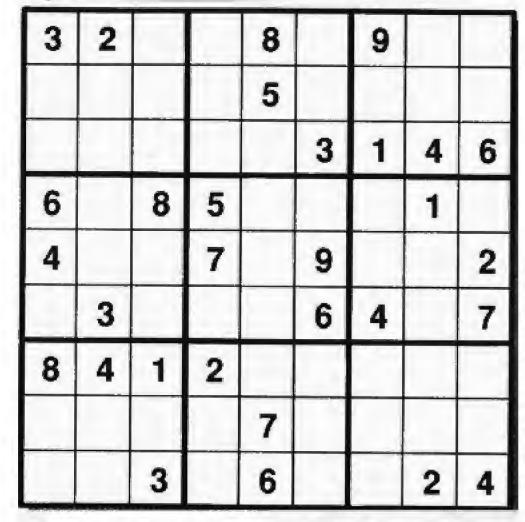
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France's Van Cleef & Arpels charged with counterfeit

PARIS (AFP) - High-end French jeweller Van Cleef & Arpels has been charged with using a ring design allegedly stolen from a gem trader, according to a court document obtained by AFP on Saturday.

Trader Francois Le Goarant de Tromelin filed a complant against the exclusive jewellery house in 2011 claiming to hold the rights to the model of a ring set with precious gems called the "Antoinette", thought to be named in honour of his wafe Antometa.

The jeweller was charged with counterfeit on June 14, a judicial source told AFP.

Van Cleef & Arpels disputes Le Goarant's story and claims full ownership of the design.

The dispute is just the latest between the trader and the company connected to a separate affair between Le Goarant and another trader, Robert Szumeraj, with whom he shared an office before Szumeraj was murdered in 1997 by a business rival.

Le Goarant alleges that Szumeraj took the designs from a safe without his knowledge and attempted to sell them to jewellery houses around Paris, eventually find-

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According to the court document, the jeweller is accused of having "taken the initiative to fraudulently manufacture or have manufactured said models and sell them directly" in its flagship Paris store and in

A lawyer for Van Cleef & Arpels, Nicolas Huc-Morel, said the accusations were unfounded and added the company would "strongly dispute" what he termed "alleged acts of counterfeit on older models of jewellery"

Huc-Morel said Le Goarant had previously faced Van Cleef in the civil courts and that the case had been dismissed.

Le Goarant's lawyer, Joseph Breham, said he had new proof of his client's ownership of around 40 designs, including the Antoinette ring.

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Medical files proving Hollywood screen siren Marilyn Monroe underwent cosmetic surgery sold for \$25,600 during a weekend auction in California. The sale, organized in Beverly Hills by Julien's Auctions, was dedicated to personal objects of the rich and famous, including Elizabeth Taylor, Julie Andrews, Greta Garbo and Princess Diana. Monroe's medical file had aroused curiosity because it includes several xrays of the star's face and



medical summaries offering details on the surgeries she had. The medical records refer to Monroe by various aliases. She saw Dr. Michael Gurdin from July 1958 and her chief complaint was "chin deformity." In 1950, then 24, the star of "Some Like It Hot" and "The Seven-year Itch" had a cartilage implant in her chin, which the doctor said slowly began to dissolve. The implant was done as part of a procedure called a tip rhinoplasty, on the end of Monroe's nose, the records show. The file also describes an ectopic pregnancy, in 1957 in New York, five years before her death. Also sold at the auction -- fetching even higher prices than the medical file -- were Monroe's Redbook Award from 1952, for \$62,500 and a series of photos, with copyrights, of the sex symbol's trip to visit soldiers during the Korean War.

Venezuela expands crackdown on prices

CARACAS (AFP) - The Venezuelan government has expanded the scope of a crackdown on soaring inflation after sending troops into appliance stores over the weekend to slash prices.

Large, sometimes unruly crowds massed outside such chain stores, hoping to take advantage of huge markdowns mandated by the government.

President Nicolas Maduro said Sunday he was extending the crackdown, which so far has focused on appliance stores, to textiles, footwear, toys, hardware and automo-

He also said he would use special powers that he is seeking from the National Assembly to impose caps on private sector profits.

"I am going to ask for norms and the maximum penalty allowed under the constitution for these types of crimes because we have to stabilize the functioning of the economy." he said.

The government intervention comes less than a month before municipal elections that are seen as a key test of strength six months after Maduro's contested election to replace the late Hugo Chavez.

Under Maduro, inflation has spiked to more than 54 percent annually, shortages of basic goods are widespread, and frequent power outages have drawn attention to the oil-rich country's fraying infrastruc-

tion also have eroded a social fabric already stressed by Venezuela's deep social and political divisions.

The leftist government's latest confrontation with the private sector began Friday with Maduro's announcement that he had ordered "the occupation" of the Daka chain of electronics and appliance stores, and the sale of all its inventory to the public "at a fair price."

"Let nothing be left on the shelves, and nothing in the warehouses," he said.

Crowds quickly formed outside stores around the country. as word spread.

National Guard troops were posted at the doors to control the crowds, but in Valencia, the country's third largest city, people smashed windows and tried to make off with goods.

Maduro appealed for calm Saturday night, noting the incident in Valencia and urging the public not to be provoked by "infiltrators."

At other stores, people formed long lines and slept in the streets to keep their places as troops took names and allowed people in to shop in small groups.

"Maduro's measure is good for us, but I suppose its bad for the businesses," said Ana Garcia, a young office worker who had spent two hours in a line Monday morning outside a store in eastern Caracas

"If store owners really did import their products with dollars bought at the official rate, and then priced their goods at the parallel rate, then they are making a mockery of the people." she said.

passed carrying plasma TVs, microwaves and washing machines purchased at less than half price.

"This is legalized looting,"

said a man as he walked out of a store toting a television set that he bought for 18,000 bolivars, down from 37,000 bolivars last week.

At least seven store managers were arrested, and the attorney general's office said Sunday five would be charged with "usury."

Maduro blames the sparing inflation on the opposition and the private sector, which he accuses of waging an "economic war" against his government.

In the case of Daka, he has said that it was overcharging by as much as 1,000 percent on some products.

But many analysts say shortages, price gouging and corruption are stoked by Venezuela's foreign exchange controls.

The government makes a limited number of dollars available for imports at 6.3 bolivars to the dollar, eight times less than a parallel gray market

On Saturday, Madure ordered that Internet sites that quote the unofficial dollar rate be blocked, and on Sunday opened proceedings against six Internet providers for having allowed the sites to operate.

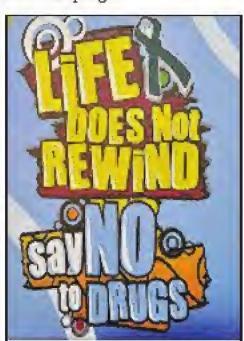
Jorge Roig, head of a national business federation, Fedecamaras, acknowledged that cost of imported goods are overpriced, but said the focus should be on those with preferential access to dollars at the official rate.

"Those who overprice are Rampant crime and corrup- As she spoke, shoppers those who have the luck to be given dollars. They have to look at who the lucky ones are," he said on Televen.

> Most businesses can't get dollars through officials channels, and have supply problems as a result, he said.

Luis Vicente Leon, a pollster, noted that when the inventory of appliances is gone there will be none to replace

But he said that populist measures like these "work over the short term in an election campaign."



"Danki Aruba" By Gino Giannone Cheap Chinese textiles





ORANJESTAD - The beauty of Aruba starts with the people, beaches and scuba diving. After living here for almost 3 years and studying medicine, you get to understand the reality of the island. Needless to say, is a happy island I have learned so much in this 193km2 of earth those small lessons that would follow me through my career so I want to say "DANKI ARUBA".

Firstly, as trilingual student I could say that has been beneficial for me to be here. For example, the people speak different languages that you may never heard off such as Papiamento that is combination of Spanish, Dutch and English. This is an enormous benefit for tourist that don't speak English someone can always help you. In fact, you may come here for many holidays to enjoy and relax for a while but at the end all you take are experiences and the interactions with these great humans. Numerous times, I have been stocked with my car in the middle street on my way home. Indeed, that's where the integrity of this people shows. I could assure that any person within a few minutes would come to aid you with your car

or pushing it to the side of the road as I have done at least 20 times!

Secondly, beaches are warm, calm, safe and peaceful specially Eagle Beach and Mangel Halto. This is why individuals, save months to years to travel here. One of the reasons is to achieve a feeling of relaxation and union with their families and friends Moreover, no discrimination policy in Aruba makes it easier for every ethnicity to visit and feel grateful

to be present on this island. Indeed, Aruba's weather is always sunny, I always thought they should call it is "is Always sunny in Aruba".

Thirdly, the underwater world is constituted by splendid variety of fishes and turtles. Most people don't get to see it for being afraid of the ocean. As a professional scuba diving instructor, I truly recommend you to go scuba diving; don't leave Aruba with only meeting new people and relaxing at the beaches. Indeed, everyone is scared of what they don't know and is something that you should definitely try if you are visiting in Aruba for more than 3 days with companies such as S.E. Aruba Fly and dive and Red Sail Sports. Usually, travelers want experience something that differs from the own country and what better expenence of being underwater and observing wrecks over 100 years old.

Individuals who don't want to scuba tend to share the same "excuses" such as sharks in the water and can't breathe underwater. The interesting fact is, there are no sharks in the diving learning areas since they usually take you to places that are safe. Indeed, sharks may be found all the way to the end of the island but those are areas that no one visits. While you are learning scuba diving, your instructor will teach you how to breathe underwater by using your regulator that provides you the same quantity of air that you breathe at the surface. All in all, please enjoy your visit in Aruba and have a blast because you deserve it.

Regards, Gino Giannone Medical student and Scuba diving instructor.

Themorningnews Aruba wishes Gino success with his further studies!

Cheap Chinese textiles slam Peru's garment industry



LIMA (AFP) - Seamstresses in Lima's garment district are usually busy at this time of year, with Christmas requests from vendors across the Americas. Cheap Chinese imports however are ruining their market.

Until recently the district -a 20-block area, packed with
25,000 clothing manufacturers
and vendors, known as the
Gamarra business emporium -was doing thriving business.

But ever since a free-trade agreement between Peru and China came into effect in 2010, and similar agreements have been signed with Colombia and others, Gamara merchants have been hemorrhaging customers.

Gamaira hasn't lost all of its customers: many items are still sold around Peru and across the region, including the United States.

Millions of t-shirts, for ex-

ample, have already been ordered by Brazilian vendors for the 2014 World Cup.

But since July sales at Gamarra have dropped 50 percent compared to the previous year, and the merchants have lost nearly one-third of the market to cheap Chinese imports, according to Diogenes Alva, head of the main Gamarra

business association.
You can get lost searching
for sexy undergarments among

the underwear mannequins. You can buy one, or order them by the thousand.

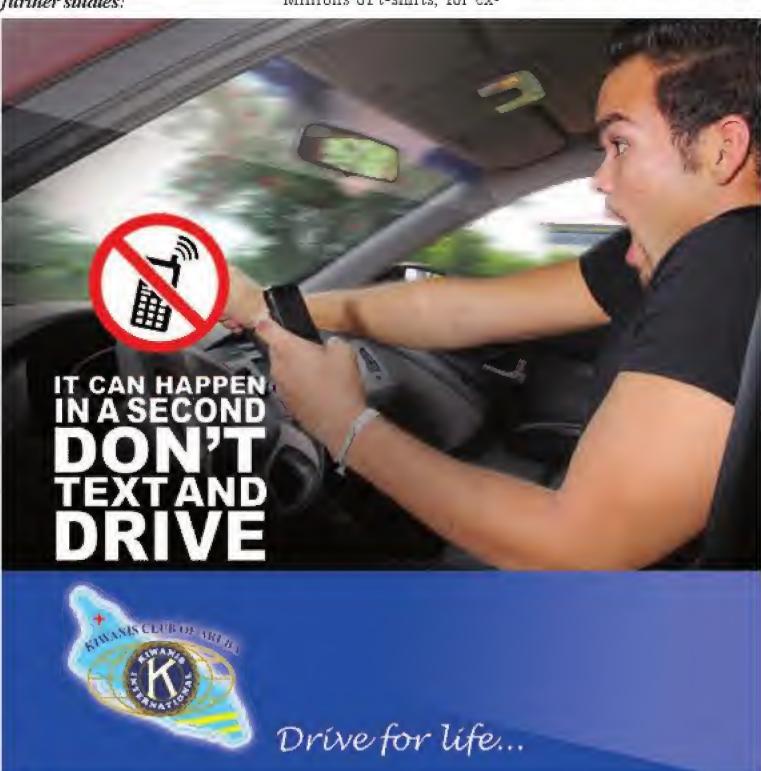
The options are dizzying but even though prices are low, the price of Chinese garments are even lower.

"We've lost 30,000 jobs in the last times, in great measure due to imports from China," said Alva, with the local business group.

Alva said that Chinese products are 40 percent cheaper than the Peruvian apparel, "making it very difficult to compete."

Some 3,000 business people in the apparel business are on the verge of bankruptcy, Ito said.

Merchants selling Chinese apparel however are smiling.



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5 Burgers Aruba: Now your best breakfast bargain!



Delicious Breakfast

--A favorite stop for a great burger for lunch or dinner has just expanded their hours and menu to offer some of the best breakfast bargains to be found in Palm Beach. Owners Aaron and Rosie Walisever are living their dream: a home on paradise while welcoming all and sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an internationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course,

the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2

eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, or All-you can-eat pancakes for \$6.99! A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast & home fries - for only \$9.99! Best of all - unlimited coffee or tea - that is, refillable and never ending is only \$.79! Breakfast is served from Sam until noon. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (almost 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aarons' secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra



5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English waywith vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gournet cheeseburger.

5 Burgers is now open from 8am to 10pm-ish Sunday - Thursday. For those late night diners, 5 Burgers is open until 3AM-ish on Friday & Saturdays! Delivery is available to most Hotels and most beaches! Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner to sit and chat, sharing their knowledge of the island while making sure patrons are happy with their meal.

NFL: Denver's Manning OK for Chiefs showdown Sunday



DENVER (AFP) - Denver
Broncos quarterback Peyton
Manning suffered no new
damage to a sprained right
ankle, X-rays showed on
Monday, and will play Sunday in a crucial NFL showdown against unbeaten
Kansas City.

Broncos interim coach Jack Del Rio, the defensive coordinator in charge while coach John Fox recovers from heart surgery, said Monday that Manning was set to lead Denver (8-1) in a home game against their AFC West division-rival Chiefs (9-0).

Manning was hit five times and sacked twice by San Diego defenders last Sunday in a 28-20 victory over the host Chargers, and left limping at the end of the game to prompt the extra medical examination on Monday.

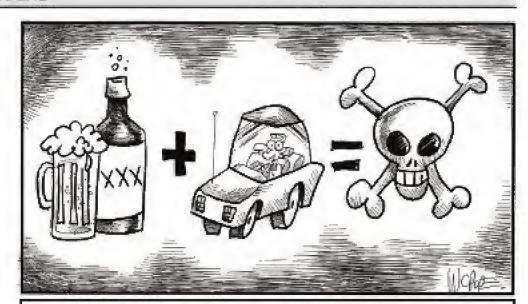
"We did get good news that there was nothing additional," Del Rio said. "That was definitely good news and he will definitely play this week He's ready to roll. That's great news."

Manning, who has thrown for 3,249 yards and 33 touch-downs this season while completing 71 percent of his passes, has the Broncos on pace to break the NFL single-season scoring record but had aggravated his high right ankle sprain suffered earlier in the season.

Manning grabbed his ankle after being tackled low around the legs by San Diego defensive end Corey Liuget on a 9-yard completion for a first-down that sealed the victory.

"I'm pretty sore," Manning admitted after the contest.

Protecting Manning will be a critical part of the game for the Broncos, who Sunday face the top team at sacking NFL quarterbacks.



FOOTBALL:



VILLARREAL (AFP) - Atletico Madrid's forward David Villa (L) vies with Villarreal's goalkeeper Sergio Asenjo during the Spanish league football match Vilarreal CF vs Atletico de Madrid at Madrigal stadium in Villarreal on November 10, 2013. The match ended in 1-1 draw.



CAIRO (AFP) - Orlando Pirates' South African midfielder Tiou Segolela (R) heads the ball against Al-Ahly's Egyptian goalkeeper Sherif Ekramy during the CAF Champions League second leg Final in Cairo on Sunday. The sides drew 1-1 in the first-leg of the CAF Champions League Final on November 2 at Orlando Stadium in Johannesburg.



SANDY (AFP) - Devon Sandoval #49 of Real Salt Lake pushes Jack Jewsbury #13 of the Portland Timbers to the ground during the first half of the Western Conference Championship MLS game - leg 1, yesterday at Rio Tinto Stadium in Sandy, Utah. RSL won 4-2.

NBA: Knicks spoil Ewing's coaching debut

CHARLOTTE (AFP) - It wasn't exactly the NBA head coaching debut former Knicks great Patrick Ewing had in mind.

Ewing, the Hall of Fame center who spent 15 seasons with the Knicks, stood in as head coach of the Charlotte Bobcats on Friday in place of ailing Steve Clifford.

Clifford was said by the team to be "resting comfortably" after having two stents placed in his heart.

He had checked himself into hospital on Thursday with chest pain.





CUIABA, Brazil (AFP) - Participants in the XII Indigenous People Games practice for a demonstration after the opening ceremony in Cuiaba, Matto Grosso state, Brazil, on week-end. 1500 natives from 49 Brazilian ethnic groups and from another 17 countries are gathering in Cuiaba until November 16 to compete in some 30 athletic disciplines, many of them their own.

As luck would have it, Ewing's debut came against the team where he once starred -who beat the Bobcats 101-91.

Carmelo Anthony had 28 points, eight rebounds and six assists, while Andrea Bargnani added 25 points and eight rebounds for New York, who are without starting center and defensive stalwart Tyson Chandler

Chandler is expected to miss four to six weeks with a broken right leg.

The Knicks, who snapped a three-game losing streak, led by as many as 18 points in the third quarter before the Bobcats closed the gap to 10.

Ewing said he expected this head coaching gig to be a short one. Clifford could be back on the sideline for Charlotte's next game on Monday.

Clifford is the third head coach of a major US pro sports team to have a serious health issue in the past week.

The Denver Broncos' John Fox was released from hospital on Friday after heart valve surgery, and Houston Texans coach Gary Kubiak collapsed at halftime of his team's NFL game against Indianapolis on Sunday with what doctors described as a minor stroke.

Kubiak is also out of hospital and expected to make a full recovery.



NFL: Locker-room bullying latest mess in troubled NFL year

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) Racial insults and threats revealed in the bullying controversy involving Miami
Dolphins teammates Richie Incognito and Jonathan Martin
are the latest in a series of offfield issues that have nagged
the NFL this season.

From settling lawsuits over long term head-trauma injuries with retired players to tighter concussion protection rules and concerns over stress on coaches after one suffered a mini-stroke and another needed heart surgery last week, the NFL was already facing issues this season.

But the latest concern came when Dolphins blocker Martin walked off the team after saying he was subjected to racial slurs and threats of violence against himself and his family

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by linemate neighbor Incognito.

Incognito was suspended indefinitely a week ago by the Dolphins, whose game Monday against Tampa Bay marked the team's first contest after a week of distractions and claims the team's locker room was out of control and leaderless.

Incognito told Fox Sports in an interview telecast Sunday that he regretted the language he used but also said that Martin had issued threats to him in an e-mail but that he never took them seriously.

ESPN reported that Martin would likely not return to the Dolphins this season and might not play for the team again because of the controversy, although he hopes to resume his NFL career at some point.

Many Dolphins' players came to the support of Incognito once the controversy became a major issue, offensive tackle Tyson Clabo saying Martin "needs to stand up and be a man."

The Sun-Sentintel newspaper reported that Dolphins coaches asked Incognito to "toughen up" Martin after the newcomer missed a voluntary off-season workout six months ago -- a subject about which Incognito would not comment.

The Miami Herald said that teammates allowed Incognito to make mappropriate racial comments and saw Martin as out of touch for turning such comments into a bullying issue

Racial insult issues came into focus in July when Philadelphia Eagles receiver Riley Cooper used a racial slur in a video made public just before the start of the team's training camp. Cooper scuffled with a teammate the following week but has helped the Eagles start 5-5 to share the NFC East division lead, catching 28 passes for 555 yards and seven touchdowns.

Golf: Els to skip Tiger event for Nedbank Challenge

LOS ANGELES (AFP) Four-time major champion
Esnie Els will play next
month's \$6.5 million (4.85 million euros) Nedbank Challenge
in South Africa after pulling
out of a Tiger Woods charity
event the same weekend.

The 44-year-old South African will not play in the European Tour's final at Dubai after deciding against playing in two of the three run-up events as required to be eligible for the 60-man final showdown.

After that, Els opted to play for a record 17th time in the Nedbank event in his homeland, an event he has won three times and owns the career prize money record, rather than make his first appearance at the World Challenge event hosted by world number one Woods in southern California.

"I'm really looking forward to coming back and playing



such a special event," Els said.
"It was actually a family decision. Liezl, Samantha and Ben are with me for a short while and it made a lot of sense to compete at Sun City,"

Dustin Johnson, the World Golf Championships HSBC Championship winner, will replace Els in the field for the Sherwood Country Club event on December 4-8, the same dates as the Nedbank Challenge.

Baseball: Braves leaving former Olympic stadium for new ballpark

ATLANTA (AFP) - The Atlanta Braves will leave their home ballpark, the former 1996 Olympic Stadium, for a new \$672 million (500 million euros) suburban venue after the 2016 Major League Baseball season, the team announced Monday.

The stadium where iconic boxing legend Muhammad Ali lit the Olympic torch was renovated after the Centennial Games and scaled down to become the Braves' home ballpark since 1997.

But the team's 20-year lease with Turner Field expires after the 2016 campaign -- the 50th season since the Braves moved from Milwaukee to Atlanta in 1966.

The Atlanta Braves won their only World Series title in



1995 at Atlanta Fulton County Stadium, the same ballpark where Hank Aaron hit his 715th career home run to break Babe Ruth's all-time record in 1974. That stadium, used for Olympic baseball, was torn down to create a parking lot for the Braves' current ballpark.

The Braves said Turner

Field needs about \$150 million in renovations, including seat replacement and lighting upgrades, and as a result will join Cobb County in being major investors in constructing the new stadium. Work is set to begin in the second half of 2014 and finish in time for the start of the 2017 season in April.

Cycling: Armstrong pleads for fair treatment

LONDON (AFP) - Disgraced cycling champion Lance Armstrong has said he will co-operate in a bid to discover the extent of doping in the sport so long as he's treated the same as his fellow drug cheats.

"If everyone gets the 'death penalty', then I'll take the 'death penalty'," said Armstrong in an interview with the BBC World Service. "If everyone gets a free pass, I'm happy to take a free pass. If everyone gets six months, then I'll take my six months," added the 42-year-old.

After years of denials, cancer-survivor Armstrong -- who has been stripped of his record seven Tour de France titles won between 1999-to-2005 -- finally admitted in January he'd used performance-enhancing drugs in an interview with US television personality Oprah Winfrey.

He said the fall-out had been "tough" both emotionally and in terms of the damage to his estimated \$125 million (£78 million) fortune from those seeking legal redress as a result of the lies he told about his drug-taking.

"It's been tough," he told the BBC. "It's been real tough. I've paid a high price in terms of my standing within the sport, my reputation, certainly financially because the lawsuits have continued to pile up.

Brian Cookson, the new president of the UCI, cycling's world governing body, has promised to set up an independent commission to find out the full extent of doping within the sport.

Meanwhile Armstrong refused to say whether, as some have suggested, it was time for all sports to come to terms with performance-enhancing drugs by permitting thresholds rather than complete bans.

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Chaperones now well trained on the control of doping

ORANJESTAD - Just recently a session of training took place here regarding the control of doping. This training was in connection with the UNESCO project approved by the Aruba Olympic Committee. This training was one of five projects approved by UNESCO for financing.

The training explored different criteria, tasks and responsibilities, the code of conduct and aspects a chaperone must take into account. In the world of sports a chaperone may be a feminine or masculine person

who assists in the taking of samples as part of the control on doping. This person has to comply with different criteria in order to function as a chaperone. The chaperone works constantly with a Doping Control Officer, who is responsible for the process and the forms that must be correctly filled out.

The training session was fascilitated by two DCO officers of the Regional Anti Doing Organization to which the AOC is afiliated. Eleven persons participated in this



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At the end of the training, each participant received a certificate of participation presented them by the Aruba Olympic Committee president, Edwin Roos.

The next UNESCO project will be in the month of November, to be exact on November 23rd. This will be a workshop for all athletes and their parents. On the 24th, their will be another workshop for trainers, coaches, volunteers, physicians and members of the anti-doing pool. Facilitator of this workshop will be Tessa Chanderton-Shaw president of RADO. All interested persons may register to participate